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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, SEPTEMBER 25, 2001

APPLICATION OF

DELMARVA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE000086

For approval of a plan  
for functional separation

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION

On December 21, 2000, Delmarva Power and Light Company ("Delmarva" or "the Company") filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") pursuant to § 56-590 of the Code of Virginia and 20 VAC 5-202-40 B 8 of the Commission's Regulations Governing the Functional Separation of Incumbent Electric Utilities Under the Virginia Electric Utility Restructuring Act. Delmarva supplemented its application on April 16, 2001, and again on June 29, 2001.

On July 6, 2001, the Commission entered an Order that directed Delmarva to publish notice of the application on one occasion in newspapers of general circulation throughout its service territory and invited interested parties to file comments and requests for hearing on the application on or before September 14, 2001. The Order also directed the Commission's Staff to review the Company's application and to

file a report on or before September 28, 2001, that may take the form of testimony, detailing the results of Staff's investigation. The Commission invited the Company and any interested person to file a response to the Staff's report on or before October 12, 2001.

On September 18, 2001, the Commission's Staff, by counsel, filed a Motion requesting an extension of time in which to file its report in this matter. In its Motion, the Staff noted that it had discussed with Delmarva the inclusion of certain accounting adjustments in the Company's cost of service study that may require the revision of the Company's cost of service study and unbundled rates. Staff asserted that it required additional time in which to receive and analyze the Company's anticipated revisions to its cost of service study and associated unbundled rates. It therefore requested an extension of time from September 28, 2001, to October 22, 2001, in which to file its report. Staff requested that the time by which the Company and other interested parties may file a response to its report be extended from October 12, 2001, to November 7, 2001. Staff also reported that AES NewEnergy, Inc. ("AES") and the Office of the Attorney General, Division of Consumer Council ("AG") have each filed comments on Delmarva's application, together with Notices of Participation. Staff stated that it had contacted counsel for Delmarva and AES and was authorized to

represent that these parties did not oppose Staff's request for an extension. Staff also represented that the AG supported the Staff's request for an extension.

NOW, UPON CONSIDERATION of the Staff's Motion, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that good cause having been shown, the Staff's September 18, 2001 Motion should be granted; that the time by which the Staff report must be filed should be extended from September 28, 2001, to October 22, 2001; that the time by which the Company and other interested parties may file a response to the Staff report should be extended from October 12, 2001, to November 7, 2001; and that all other provisions of the July 6, 2001 Order Prescribing Notice and Inviting Comments and/or Requests for Hearing should remain in effect.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The September 18, 2001 Motion of the Staff for an Extension is hereby granted.

(2) The time in which the Staff shall file its report with the Clerk of the Commission on the captioned application shall be extended to October 22, 2001.

(3) The time in which the Company and any interested person may file a response to the Staff's report shall be extended to November 7, 2001.

(4) All other provisions of the July 6, 2001 Order Prescribing Notice and Inviting Comments and/or Requests for Hearing shall remain in effect.